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SUBJECT: GERMANY LOBBYING AGAINST IRAN NO-ACTION MOTION

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Classified By: Deputy Political Minister Counselor Stanley Otto for reasons 1.4 (b,d).

¶1. (C) Deputy Head of the Human Rights Division of the MFA Martin Huth told Poloff November 10 that the MFA had tasked its embassies in Madagascar and India November 7 to demarche their respective host governments to vote against the no-action motion on Iran (per reftel). Huth told Poloff in a follow-up conversation on November 12 that those embassies had not yet provided any responses but that he expected information in the coming days. He said he would share this with Poloff. In a separate meeting, MFA Iran Desk officer Andreas Krueger provided Poloff with similar information. He also expressed the view that these efforts also be coordinated with missions in Geneva and New York. Krueger also noted that the MFA is working to increase its dialogue with the French Presidency on the human rights situation in Iran.

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